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The Honorable Timothy S. Bee  
President  
Arizona State Senate  
1700 W. Washington  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: Senate Bill 1048; Definition; Partial-birth Abortion

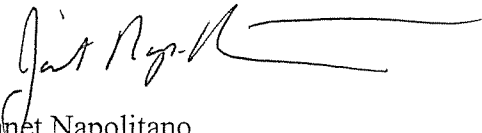
Dear President Bee:

Today I vetoed Senate Bill 1048, which proposed to amend Arizona's partial-birth abortion statute to make it correspond in penalty and scope with the 18 USC §1531, the federal partial-birth abortion ban statute.

As I said in my April 4, 2008 veto letter of House Bill 2769, Arizona physicians are already subject to criminal penalties under the federal statute. I am loathe to introduce more criminal penalties, including incarceration by the State, into the relationship between a woman and her physician.

For these and other reasons, I have vetoed Senate Bill 1048.

Yours very truly,

  
Janet Napolitano  
Governor

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cc: The Honorable Jim Weiers  
The Honorable Linda Gray